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SUBJ: AUSTRALIAN GOVT CLAMPDOWN ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS

1. ON OCT 30, MIN LABOR AND IMMIGRATION CAMERON ANNOUNCED IN PARLIAMENT THAT THERE WERE SOME 50,000 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WORKING IN AUSTRALIA WHO WILL HAVE TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. MANY OF THESE HAD COME TO AUSTRALIA UNDER THE QTE EASY VISA UNQTE SCHEME STARTED 1 SEPT 1973, UNDER WHICH VISITORS VISAS HAVE BEEN ISSUED WHICH COULD NOT BE CHANGED TO PERMIT BEARER TO STUDY, WORK OR BECOME PERMANENT RESIDENT WITHOUT LEAVING THE COUNTRY FIRST.

2. IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS SYDNEY SAY THAT THEY HAVE THIS MORNING BEEN GIVEN PERMISSION TO GO ONTO FACTORY FLOORS TO INVESTIGATE BONA FIDES OF WORKERS, AFTER TRYING TO INVEST-
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IGATE THROUGH PERSONNEL RECORDS AND FINDING MUCH FRAUD.

MAJOR NATIONALITIES INVOLVED WILL BE INDONESIAN, KOREAN,
TONGAN AND FIJIAN, WITH SMATTERING OF EUROPEANS.

3. EFFECT THIS RULING WILL BE FELT IN NIV APPLICATIONS AT
ALL POSTS, AS WELL AS AMCIT DESTITUTION CASES. IF WORKERS
DO NOT HAVE TRAVEL FUNDS, WILL BE DEPORTED BY AUST GOVT.
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